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## General Comment

I am writing to OPPOSE the proposed requirement that all employers - including religious ones - cover contraceptives (including early-term abortifacients). Pregnancy is NOT a disease, and artificially suppressing the human reproductive system does NOT constitute necessary women's health care. It is, rather, a lifestyle choice. Many people limit or space their childbearing via reliable means that involve careful observation and, yes, self-control. The so-called "religious exemption" applies to virtually no one, as the vast majority of religious employers serve people of all faiths. Please don't force them out of business by issuing a federal mandate that they provide very costly coverage for something they find morally objectionable. Thank you!